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Godfathers, T. Madison and James Taylor. Godmothers, Martha Taylor and Elizabeth Penn. He married Nellie Conway, Sep. 15, 1749. Their son, James Madison, Jr., President of the United States, was born at 12 o'clock, between the 5 & 6 of March, 1751.

Elizabeth Penn was granddaughter of John Taylor.

J. W. Taylor's comment:

Howell Lewis, of North Carolina, is the grandfather of Rev. Howell Lewis Taylor, and the great-grandfather of Joseph W. Taylor.

Joseph Taylor, born Feb. 19, 1742, and Frances Anderson, his wife, born March 30, 1743, *supra*, or the great-grandparents of Rev. Howell Lewis Taylor, and the great-great-grandparent of Joseph W. Taylor. Joseph Taylor, son of Joseph and Frances Anderson Taylor, *supra*, are the grandparents of Rev. Howell Lewis Taylor, and great-grandparent of Joseph W. Taylor. And Joseph Taylor, who married Candice High in 1825, is the father of Rev. Howell L. Taylor, and grandfather of Joseph W. Taylor.

WACO, TEX., March 20, 1902.

Mr. Woodson T. White, Waco, Texas.

DEAR SIR: This register was copied by me in 1870 from the old Bible formerly belonging to John Taylor, the son of the original James, of Carlisle, Eng. It was at that time the property of my great-aunt, Mrs. Mary Blackwell, formerly Mary Taylor, who was at that time a very old woman. She promised to give me the Bible in her will, but her residence at Bartlett, Tenn., was burned and the Bible destroyed. She was a sister of my grandfather, Joseph Taylor, and a sister of the Rev. Thomas Taylor, who died in Jackson, Tenn., in 1877, I think.

Your friend,

JOE W. TAYLOR.

LETTERS OF REV. STEPHEN FOUACE.*

TO COL. PHILIP LUDWELL.

The 7. of Jan: 1704⁴/₅.

Dear & Hon^{ble} Sir:

This cometh only to wish you an happy new year and joy for ye increase of your family. By ye Birth of M^{rs} Sarah, I wish

* Mr. Fouace was rector of York-Hampton Parish, near Williamsburg, from which he removed to London. The original letters are in the archives of the Virginia Historical Society. Colonel Ludwell lived at Green's Spring, eight miles from Williamsburg. He was son of Col. Philip Ludwell, who married Frances, widow of Sir William Berkeley.

you may ere long have yourself & give your father and other friends ye joy of a son and heir. I am sorry to understand by your letters to Coll. Ludwell & Mr Blair y^t your grievances continue & increase: we hope ere long to be certain of your deliverance. I cannot bring my mind to doubt of it. Mr. Blair hath given you in his letter a full acc^t. how matters stand, and therefore I forbear troubling you with any of mine. Some do say here y^t. N. shall not be removed till he hath had time & opportunity to send over his answer to ye accusations have been made here against him upon oath. You'l do therefore very well, happen w^t. it will, to let us know as soon as possible wⁿ. he received ye papers & depositions y^t. have been sent to him, & whether he hath neglected ye opportunity of any ship to send his answer by. Mr. Nat Burwell was taken about seven days ago of a pleurisie, for w^{ch}. he hath been blooded twice. He is now, I thank God, upon the recovery. I suppose Coll^o. Ludwell makes use of this opportunity to let you know his health & wellfare. I suppose you have received the Letters I have written to you, wherein I acquainted you y^t. I had not thought fit to ask him, &c. He is something dissatisfied with Mr. Blair, but I see noe good reason why; but I think rather otherwise, for, as he is a very able, judicious, skillful man in business, he is as diligent & careful; but that you know as well as I, & better too. I desire you to present my humble service to your good Lady and other friends, particularly to Doctor Blair. As to tob. & ye going of ye Fleet, I suppose you have advices from better hands yⁿ. mine. If, as many do think, ye fleet stayed till ye latter end of ye summer, I may perhaps venture wth it to take a better farewell of my friends yⁿ. I have done. I recommend you & yours to God's grace & protection. Beg ye honour of ye continuacoon of your friendship, & am,

Hon^{ble} Sir,

Your very humble serv^t.,

Step: Fouace.

These to the Hon^{ble} Coll^o. Philip Ludwell, Esq^r., at his house in Virginia.

TO COL. PHILIP LUDWELL.

Hon^{ble} Sir:

I received some dayes ago yours of the 10th of Apr. last, wth the enclosed bill of John Hartwell of 320 ^{lb}. (accepted 29

Messrs. Perry), for w^{ch} I humbly thank you, as also for all other kind friendly services. Cap't Jones being upon ye business of matrimony here, and having some hope of commanding a ship to the East Indies, hath now no thought of going to Virg^a. to settle nor to stock his Plantation wth negroes. This is a baulk & prejudice to me to have for his sake kept so long my things unsold. I beg of you, Sr., to sell, as soon as you can, every thing that belongs to me. He hath written, he tells me, to Cap't Timson to take possession of his Plantation, and the cattle y^t must be returned in kind. I humbly desiré you therefore to deliver y^m to him, and also to pay him what tobacco I have on ye Plantation, & so much more either in tobacco bought or bills of Exch^a for ye said tob^o. as the market goes. The tobacco I am to pay him is 8432 lbs. I do not know whether its usual to pay such tob. wth cask or without cask. As there is no mention of cask, I must do w^t is usual. When I have the return of the effects & negroes that have been all this while kept up for him I will satisfy him for ye balance due to him, & ye share of the plate mentioned in the acc^{ts}. I send you herein enclosed y^t you may demand of Chermeson w^t he hath of it in his hands. Tho' I am afraid he'll do wth that as wth other things.

I Heartily condole the great loss of your Brother & Sister-in-law. I pray God to comfort the sorrowfull widow & children, as also their worthy father, Brother & Sister and other friends, & to give us all grace daily to mind the shortness & uncertainty of our own lives.

The change of ministers already made, & the further change w^{ch} is feared, will render your business more difficult. My Lord Sunderland was much depended on, but he is turned out, and my Lord Dartmouth in his place. C. Bl. is gone with his Lady to the Bath. I waited upon him some dayes before he went. He told me, and I believe him, that he will do w^{tever} lies in his power to, &c. The animosities betwixt Whigs & Tories are rais'd to a vast degree and beyond all imagination, and of such pernicious consequences that it is thought ye French King, expecting great advantage from y^m, hath broken off ye negotiations of Peace, w^{ch} is much wanted and desired everywhere. I pray God soon to bring it about by his Gracious almighty

Providence. 'Tis thought 'twill be very hard to raise a fund for the next year's campaign.

I waited upon Coll^o. Ludwell * about a week ago. He gave me your letter to me & Shew'd me yours to him. I think you don't do well to stir up in him the longing he hath to return into Virg^a. He is now tolerably well, makes shift to read wth very magnifying spectacles. He is often troubled with his usual distempers. He seldom stirs abroad, w^{ch} I tell him is very injurious to his health. Doct^r Bill is now gone to Live at Southampton, Madam Mathews, to cure her distempers, ye gout & stone; Lives altogether upon milk & bread. Mr. Lane, being almost past all hopes of recovery, is gone to the Bath.

I present my humble respects to M^r. Blair, & to both his & your own Ladies, & am wth much respect, sincerity & thankfulness,

Hon^{ble} Sir,

Your most humble Serv^t,

Step. Fouace.

The 8th of Aug., 1710.

BRIDGE OVER POWHATAN SWAMP, IN JAMES CITY COUNTY.

April 25, 1670, upon the reasonable petition of Mr. Thomas Hunt, wherein he is willing to keepe & maintain a good and passable roadway, for horse, foot and carts, over the milldam at Poetan. It is ordered that the said M^r Hunt be henceforward obliged to pform the same, and that hee shall receive yearely from the publique for so long as he maintaineth the said way one thousand pounds of tobo and Caske, w^{ch} shall be laid in James City or Yorke Countye every year. (*Records of General Court of Va., MSS.*)

* Hon. Col. Philip Ludwell, then residing in England, father of the Philip to whom the letter is addressed.